

Wilson Plans To Prevent Wire Strike

President Confers With the
Secretary of Labor
Over Controversy

May Call Carlton
To Washington

Head of Telegraphers'
Union Sets Date for Walk-
out of 30,000 Men

(Special Dispatch to The Tribune)
WASHINGTON, June 8.—Action to
compel the Western Union Telegraph
Company to prevent the threatened
strike of the Commercial Telegraphers'
Union is expected to be taken early
next week by President Wilson, who
held a long conference with Secretary
of Labor Wilson to-day over the con-
troversy between the employers and
the men.

The White House is expected either
to summon President Carlton, of the
company, to Washington to explain his
reasons for refusing to submit to the
jurisdiction of the National War Labor
Board, which sought to compose the
differences between the employers and
the men, or to apply the same tactics
used in the case of the striking ship
carpenters. In that affair a letter was
dispatched to President Huteson de-
claring "he was for the government or
against" in declining to use his in-
fluence in preventing a tie-up of ship
yards.

A call setting a definite date for a
walkout of 30,000 members of the Com-
mercial Telegraphers' Union has been
sent out by S. J. Koenekamp, president
of the international union, following
his visit to Washington to confer with
Samuel Gompers, president of the
American Federation of Labor, in the
hope of finding some way out of the
difficulty without tying up wire commu-
nications. Before his departure for
Chicago Koenekamp said that he had
given up hope of President Carlton
submitting to the decree of the Na-
tional War Labor Board, and he sug-
gested government ownership as the
only means out of the difficulty.

Government ownership of the lines,
however, is said to be the last measure
that will be applied. The success of the
intervention of the White House in the
dispute of the striking shipyard work-
ers, it was pointed out to-day, has
established a precedent that should ap-
ply in the case of the telegraphers. La-
bor leaders maintain that "what is
sauce for the goose should be sauce for
the gander" and in this instance the
argument is made that the employer
should be the one to be compelled, as a
pure war measure, to submit to the de-
sires of the employees.

Telegraphers of 3 Cities Tell Wilson They'll Not Strike

WASHINGTON, June 8.—Several
thousand telegraphers employed by the
Western Union Telegraph Company in
Chicago, Seattle and Spokane wired
President Wilson to-day that they
would not be parties to any movement
looking to a disruption of the country's
commercial telegraph service during
the war. They deplored agitation look-
ing to a strike of telegraph operators
and pledged their loyalty to the gov-
ernment.

S. J. Koenekamp, president of the
Commercial Telegraphers' Union, an-
nounced recently that he would call a
strike of members of the union as a
result of the refusal of the Western
Union company to submit to the juris-
diction of the National War Labor
Board, which sought to compose the
differences between the company and the
men, growing out of the discharging
of operators for joining the union.

Some three thousand telegraphers in
Chicago told the President that they
were not represented by any labor
leaders who had threatened to call a
strike and that they resented the in-
ference that they might be "so base
and disloyal" as to support a strike.

Railroad Freight Rates To Be Revised

Protest Against the Present
Schedule Causes Ad-
ministration to Act

WASHINGTON, June 8.—Protest has
been so strong against the double sys-
tem of raising intrastate freight rates



Bathing Apparel for Stout Women

36 to 44 waist, 39 to 56 bust

Lane Bryant

Exclusive designs portraying the features
characteristic of all Lane Bryant Apparel.

Bathing Suits
Rust Red, Mohair, Taffeta and Bat-
tain and belted models. \$2.50, 4.00 to 5.00

Bathing Caps & Shoes
Rubber hats in exclusive styles.
\$1.00, 1.50 to 1.75
Slippers and High Shoes of Bat-
tain. \$1.00, 1.50 to 2.25

Bathing Tights
One-piece shoulder tights of cotton, wool and
silk. Sizes up to 56 bust.
\$1.00, 1.50 to 2.75

Bathing Corsets
Superior to all others because they are a
combination bra and corset.
1.50—2.75

Lane Bryant, 21-23 W. 38th St.

by applying interstate schedules to in-
trastate shipments where these sched-
ules exist, and then increasing those
rates 25 per cent, that the railroad
administration is considering abandon-
ing the provision of the rate order. A
number of modifications in the new
high schedules to go into effect June
25, will be announced next week.

Representatives of the Southern
Traffic League and Southern Senators
to-day protested to the railroad ad-
ministration against the double im-
position on intrastate commerce and
were assured that the situation was
being studied carefully, with the view
to making revisions.

Millions of dollars of increased reve-
nue will result from the decision to-
day to apply the new higher rates to
local switching charges.

This will result in doubling the
charges on many commodities, such as
sand and gravel, moving under com-
modity rates and originating within
switching districts. No carload ship-
ment will be accepted for even local
switching movement at less than \$15
a car.

The increase does not apply to
switching included in long distance or
so-called line hauling.

Federal Mediator Begins Inquiry in Bronx Car Strike

Clifton Reeves, of Depart-
ment of Labor, Here at
Request of Employees

With the arrival of Clifton Reeves,
Commissioner of Conciliation, of the
Department of Labor, the Federal gov-
ernment yesterday took a hand in the
Bronx car strike. Mr. Reeves came
from Washington in response to a tele-
gram sent by a committee of strikers
to Secretary Wilson, asking for a Fed-
eral mediator. Mr. Reeves will par-
ticularly investigate the complaint of
the car men that the Union Railway
officials had summarily dismissed forty
men for attempting to organize.

Immediately upon his arrival Mr.
Reeves went to the office of Louis Fri-
diger, counsel for the employees, where,
with Patrick O'Brien, vice-president of
the American Federation of Labor, he
engaged in a two-hour conference.
Though just what took place at the
conference is not known, Mr. Fridiger
later explained that he placed before
the mediator the grievance of the
men in detail, and he assumes that Mr.
Reeves will interview the traction of-
ficials before making a decision.

He added that the men are in all re-
spects willing to submit to every ruling
of the Federal mediator.

Mr. Reeves will take up the situation
with Edward J. Maher, Jr., the road's
manager, to-morrow.

At a meeting of the employees at Cur-
tin Hall, at 4 p. m., yesterday, Fridiger
explained what had taken place at the
conference. There will be another
meeting at the same place to-morrow
evening at 11 o'clock.

Several prosecutions growing out of
the strike were brought before the
Municipal court yesterday. Two con-
ductors, Robert Piliocco, twenty-four
years old, of 2384 Belmont Avenue, the
Bronx, and John McClusky, twenty-six
years old, of 101 Melrose Street, Brook-
lyn, were found guilty on charges of
disorderly conduct, but sentence was
suspended by Magistrate Simpson. The
men were accused of turning the sign
on a trolley car.

Time Limit Extended On War Tax Hearing

Automobiles and Motion
Pictures May Be Affected
by New Bill

WASHINGTON, June 8.—Hearings
on the new war tax legislation before
the House Ways and Means Com-
mittee will continue to June 20. The
committee to-day extended the time
limit ten days because of the large
number of requests for hearings which
have come from corporations and in-
dividuals who would be affected.

Secretary McAdoo, Internal Revenue
Commissioner Roper, Chairman Bar-
ruch, of the War Industries Board,
and other officials are yet to be heard.
Data upon which the new bill will be
based are now being assembled by tax
experts of the treasury Department
and will be submitted to the committee
by Mr. McAdoo in the near future.

Suggestions made to the committee
at to-day's hearings included an in-
crease in tax on motion pictures and a
heavy license tax on automobiles to be
paid by owners of the machines.

Norwegians Claim \$48,000,000 for Ships

Shipping Interests Unable to
Agree on Payment for
"Seized" Vessels

WASHINGTON, June 8.—Representa-
tives of the Emergency Fleet Corpora-
tion and representatives of Norwegian
shipping interests have been unable
to agree regarding payment for Nor-
wegian tonnage requisitioned by the
United States, as it has been completed
in American yards.

The Norwegians, it was said to-day,
have asked more than the fleet cor-
poration thinks it should pay. Their
claim about \$48,000,000. Owners of
other nationality whose vessels were
taken over have received compensation.

3,750 Tons of Food Used on Transport

WASHINGTON, June 8.—In 210,000
meals served to soldiers en route to
France on a single army transport
recently, 3,750 tons and 180 varieties
of foodstuffs were consumed, a state-
ment authorized by the War Depart-
ment to-night said.

2 More Destroyers Launched At the Newport News Yards

WASHINGTON, June 8.—Two Ameri-
can destroyers, the Ramsey and Hope-
well, were launched to-day at the yards
of the Newport News Shipbuilding and
Dry Dock Company at Newport News,
Va., the Navy Department announced.

The Breeze and the Gamble were
launched simultaneously at the same
yard on May 11, making to-day's
launchings the second double one of
destroyers there within a month.

3 Women Hurt in "L" Crash

A northbound Sixth Avenue elevated
train hit an open switch at Eighth Ave-
nue and 136th Street just after 11
o'clock night, derailing the first
car and careening it against a "dead"
train on the centre track. Windows
were broken and three women were
slightly injured. They went home after
being treated by an ambulance surgeon.

B. Altman & Co.

Thirty-fourth Street

MADISON AVENUE-FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

Thirty-fifth Street

Telephone 7000 Murray Hill

Women's Summer Dresses

(a number of the season's fash-
ionable models)

developed in a choice quality of
all-silk foulard and Georgette
crepe, will be placed on sale
to-morrow (Monday) at the ex-
traordinarily low price (consid-
ering the quality) of

\$55.00

Imported and Special Costumes Dep't
(Third Floor)

A Clearance Sale of Semi-made Fine-twill Serge Skirts

(in white or navy blue)

has been arranged for to-morrow
on the First Floor.

Several models (plaited or plain
tailored) in which the sizes
are incomplete, have, for this
reason, been radically reduced to

\$3.75 & \$4.75

These garments require but lit-
tle labor to complete them, and
are quite essential to the sum-
mer wardrobe now being pre-
pared for the sojourn at the sea-
side or the country retreats.

Betalph Silk Hosiery

The Summer assortments com-
prise the colors most in demand,
as well as the always fash-
ionable black or white.

Women's Betalph Silk Hosiery

In black . . . per pair \$2.75

In black (superior quality)

per pair . . . \$3.25

In white or colors

per pair . . . \$3.00

In black (extra size)

per pair . . . \$3.25

Men's Betalph Silk Hosiery

Black, white or colors,

per pair . . . \$2.00

B. Altman & Co.

request that merchandise for
Credit or Exchange be
returned within Seven Days

Women's Indoor Gowns

in charming negligee modes

will be placed on Sale to-morrow in the Department on the
Third Floor.

In the materials which compose them and the simplicity yet
effectiveness which distinguishes them, the assortments offer
values that should command immediate interest.

Rest Coats of gros de Londres	\$19.50
Two-piece Negligees of crepe de Chine, with lace coat	17.50
Morning Coats of striped silk taffeta	11.75
Negligees of crepe de Chine, lace-trimmed	10.50
House Dresses of crepe de Chine, lace-trimmed	8.75
Negligees of striped silk-crepe	4.85

Another Special Sale of Morning and Porch Dresses

will be held to-morrow on the Second Floor.

Fashioned of cotton materials, they are typical of the styles so
much worn at the present time, and are most attractively priced

at \$2.65, \$3.50, \$3.90 & \$4.75

A Monday Sale of American-made and Imported Undergarments

Taken from regular stock and special assortments, the styles
included are in every way desirable, but are being disposed of
to make room for the incoming stocks.

AMERICAN-MADE LINGERIE UNDERWEAR

Nightrobes	95c., 1.50, 1.95, 2.90 & 3.90
Envelope Chemises	95c., 1.50, 1.95, 2.90 & 3.90
Combinations	95c., 1.90 & 2.90
Petticoats	1.25, 1.95, 2.90 & 3.65
Corset Covers	75c. Pajamas 1.95

AMERICAN-MADE CREPE DE CHINE UNDERWEAR

Nightrobes	3.95, 4.90 & 6.85
Envelope Chemises	1.95, 2.95 & 3.90
Knickers	2.95
Bodices	1.00, 1.50, 1.95 & 2.95

IMPORTED LINGERIE UNDERWEAR

from France and the Philippines

Nightrobes	\$1.95, 2.25, 2.85, 3.25
Regulation Chemises	1.45, 1.75, 2.25, 3.50
Envelope Chemises	1.35, 1.95, 2.25, 2.50
Petticoats	2.95, 4.50
Combinations	2.75, 3.90

(The prices quoted above do not, in every instance, apply to both
French and Philippine garments)

Noteworthy reductions have been effected in the prices of many
hand-made pieces of French lingerie (chiefly in broken sizes or
single garments), affording an opportunity for obtaining very
unusual values.

A Reduction Sale of Imported Blouses

will be held to-morrow on the
Second Floor.

Paris-made Blouses, fashioned
of Georgette crepe, crepe de
Chine or in dainty lingerie
materials, exquisitely hand-
made, and enhanced by fine
embroidery, or drawn work of
delicate design, have been great-
ly reduced for this occasion,
and are now variously priced at
\$12.50, 16.50 & 19.50

Special Values in Household and Decorative Linens

will be offered to-morrow & Tuesday,
on the Fourth Floor.

The interesting selections include

All-linen Damask Table Cloths
at \$4.75, 6.00, 7.50

All-linen Damask Napkins
per dozen \$6.00, 7.50, 8.50

All-linen Huckaback Towels,
hemstitched,
per dozen \$8.50, 10.00, 12.00

Union Huckaback Towels
(linen-and-cotton) hemstitched
per dozen \$3.40, 6.00, 7.50

Turkish Bath Towels (hemmed)
per dozen \$2.75, 4.50, 6.00

Madeira Luncheon Sets (thir-
teen pieces) hand-embroidered
and hand-scalloped,
per set \$5.00, 5.75, 6.75

Madeira Tea Napkins, hand-
scalloped and hand-embroidered
per dozen \$6.00 & 6.75

Vacation Outfits

including the numerous minor
requirements to render both the
journey and the sojourn worth
while, have been provided in
interesting and extensive as-
sortments.

The activities of the seaside,
country sports, or the hours of
leisure have been amply antici-
pated in apparel typical of fash-
ionable life during the Summer
period.

A section of the Second Floor is
reserved exclusively for
The Sale of Vogue Patterns

SUMMER CLOSING HOURS

The Summer schedule will become operative on Saturday, June 15th, as follows:

June 15th, 22nd and 29th
Saturdays . . . at 12 noon

September 7th and 14th
Saturdays . . . at 12 noon

June 17th to September 13th
Daily . . . at 5 P. M.

The Store will be closed all day on Saturdays throughout the months of JULY and AUGUST.